## COMMONWEALTH OF KENTUCKY

## BEFORE THE PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION

In the Matter of:

JOINT APPLICATION OF AQUA CORPORATION, KENTUCKY WATER SERVICE COMPANY, INC., AND CITY OF SOMERSET, KENTUCKY FOR: (1) AUTHORITY FOR AOUA CORPORATION TO ISSUE COMMON STOCK AND TO ASSUME OBLIGATIONS TO MEET INDUSTRIAL REVENUE BONDS DEBT SERVICE; (2) AUTHORITY FOR AQUA CORPORATION TO ACQUIRE ALL OF THE OUTSTANDING COMMON STOCK OF KENTUCKY WATER SERVICE COMPANY INC.: (3) AU-THORITY FOR AQUA CORPORATION ITSELF IN SEQUENCE TO PURCHASE THE CLINTON AND MIDDLESBORO WATER DISTRIBUTION PLANTS AND ATTENDANT ACCOUNTS FROM ITS THEN CONTROLLED KENTUCKY WATER SERVICE COMPANY, INC.; (4) AUTHORITY FOR AQUA CORPORATION TO SELL ITS ONE HUNDRED PERCENT (100%) OF THE OUTSTANDING COMMON STOCK OF KENTUCKY WATER SERVICE COMPANY, INC., TO THE CITY OF SOMERSET, KENTUCKY

CASE NO. 9231

## ORDER

On December 12, 1984, the Commission scheduled a public hearing to consider this Joint Application of Aqua Corporation, Kentucky Water Service Company, Inc. and the City of Somerset, Kentucky. Prior to the hearing, the applicants made a verbal request to cancel the hearing because a needed tax opinion concerning the proposed sale of Kentucky Water Service stock to Somerset could not be obtained. The parties therefore indicated that the Joint Application could not proceed as scheduled. This

was later confirmed by a January 10, 1985, letter from the President of Howard K. Bell Consulting Engineers to the Secretary of the Commission.

The Commission finds that the Joint Application cannot now proceed as proposed and, therefore, ORDERS that this case be and it hereby is dismissed without prejudice.

Done at Frankfort, Rentucky, this 25th day of January, 1985.

PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION

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